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Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research resulting from the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute on the work programme of the Institute for 2006-2007

Note by the Secretary-General

Summary

In part V, paragraph 3, of its resolution 59/276, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to make proposals in the context of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 for biennial review and approval by the Assembly of subvention requirements of the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) beginning with the biennium 2006-2007. Based on the continuing nature of the requirement for a subvention to UNIDIR, it is proposed that the subvention request be submitted on a biennial basis in the context of the consideration by the Assembly of the proposed programme budget for the related biennium.

Should the General Assembly agree with this proposal, and in accordance with the provisions of the statute (see resolution 39/148 H, annex, article VIII, para. 3) and the recommendations of the Board of Trustees of the Institute, the Assembly is requested to approve a subvention in the amount of $476,500 for UNIDIR from the regular budget of the United Nations for the biennium 2006-2007. The related provision is included in the proposed programme budget for 2006-2007 under section 4, Disarmament.

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subvention to UNIDIR be submitted on a biennial basis in the context of the consideration by the Assembly of the proposed programme budget for the related biennium. This would also contribute to alleviating the heavy agenda of the legislative and expert reviewing bodies.

6. Should the General Assembly agree with the above proposal, a subvention of $476,500 (before recosting) from the regular budget of the United Nations is proposed for UNIDIR for the biennium 2006-2007. This amount will be subject to subsequent recosting in accordance with the established procedures. No additional provision would be required, as related resources have been included under section 4, Disarmament, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007.

7. **Accordingly, the General Assembly is requested to:**

(a) **Endorse the proposal that request for a subvention to UNIDIR be submitted for review and approval by the General Assembly on a biennial basis in the context of its consideration of the proposed programme budget for the related biennium;**

(b) **Approve a subvention to UNIDIR of $476,500 (before recosting) from the regular budget of the United Nations for the biennium 2006-2007.**

Annex I

Income and expenditure estimates for 2005 and 2006

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Items	*2005 (estimates)*	*2006 (estimates)*
A. Funds available at the beginning of the year	1 910.9[a]	1 523.5[b]
B. Income:		
Voluntary contributions and public donations	3 798.1[c]	1 048.2[d]
Subvention from the United Nations regular budget	201.9	227.6[e]
Other inter-organizational contributions	0.0	0.0
Interest income	40.0	20.0
Miscellaneous income	0.0	0.0
Total income	**4 040.0**	**1 295.8**
C. Prior period adjustments	0.0	0.0
D. Prior period obligations	0.0	0.0
E. Total funds available	5 950.9	2 819.3
F. Expenditure	4 427.4	2 442.6
G. Fund balance at the end of the year	1 523.5[b]	376.7[f]

[a] Includes $214,874 required as operating cash reserve for 2004.

[b] Includes $603,600 required as operating cash reserve for 2005.

[c] See annex III for details of UNIDIR 2005 estimated income from voluntary sources.

[d] See annex III for details of UNIDIR 2006 estimated income from voluntary sources. The estimates for 2006 contributions are conservative. Experience shows that they will be much higher, but this cannot, of course, be guaranteed at this stage.

[e] To be technically adjusted prior to the approval of the proposed programme budget for 2006-2007.

[f] Includes $316,400 required as operating cash reserve for 2006.

Annex II

Estimated resource requirements, 2005 and 2006

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Resource requirements	*(a) 2005[a] (estimates)*	*(b) 2006[a] (estimates)*	*(c) = (b-a) Increase/ (decrease)*
A. Direct programme and administrative costs			
Salaries and related staff costs	649.7	649.7	0.0
Consultants' fees and travel	106.7	38.0	(68.7)
Ad hoc expert groups	102.7	67.6	(35.1)
Personal service contract	3 191.5	1 503.3	(1 688.2)
Official travel of staff	113.6	40.0	(73.6)
Other specialized training	2.0	2.0	0.0
Other contractual services	2.0	2.0	0.0
Hospitality	8.1	2.0	(6.1)
Rental of conference room	2.0	2.0	0.0
Rental of office equipment	2.0	2.0	0.0
Rental of conference service equipment	2.0	2.0	0.0
Maintenance costs	2.0	2.0	0.0
Communication	1.0	1.0	0.0
Paper for internal reproduction	12.0	12.0	0.0
Subscriptions and standing orders	2.5	2.5	0.0
Acquisition of office equipment	22.4	5.0	(17.4)
Acquisition, software packages	1.0	1.0	0.0
Acquisition of fax	1.0	1.0	0.0
Stationery and office supplies	1.0	1.0	0.0
Data processing supplies	1.0	1.0	0.0
Total A	**4 226.2**	**2 337.1**	**(1 889.1)**
B. Programme support costs			
5% of (total A less United Nations subvention)	201.2	105.5	(95.7)
Total expenditure (Total A + B)	**4 427.4**	**2 442.6**	**(1 984.8)**
C. Operating cash reserve			
At least 15% of (total A less United Nations subvention)	603.6	316.4	(287.2)
Total (A + B + C)	**5 031.0**	**2 759.0**	**(2 272.0)**

[a] These figures may be increased upon the confirmation of current funding proposals.

Annex III

Revised income from voluntary sources, 2005 and 2006

(United States dollars)

Donor	*2005*[a]	*2006*[a]
A. Governmental contributions		
Austria	10 954	10 000
China	30 000	-
Egypt	5 176	5 000
France	330 000	330 000
Greece	7 800	7 800
India	10 000	10 000
Israel	9 918	10 000
Luxembourg	3 049	3 200
Mexico	10 000	10 000
Netherlands	67 200	30 000
New Zealand	17 750	17 750
Norway	328 017	90 000
Republic of Korea	10 000	10 000
Sweden	26 110	27 000
Switzerland	93 600	50 000
Turkey	5 000	5 000
United Kingdom	125 310	-
Subtotal (A)	**1 089 884**	**615 750**
B. Public donations		
European Commission (received)	1 356 852	-
European Commission (pledge)	905 563	388 098
Graduate Institute for International Studies	39 957	-
Marie Curie Foundation	129 670	-
South-eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (United Nations Development Programme)	34 260	-
Graduate Institute for International Studies	23 200	-
Simons Foundation	27 000	30 000
United Nations Department for Disarmament Affairs	97 000	-
United Nations Development Programme	79 992	14 400
United Nations Mine Action Service	37 920	-
Subtotal (B)	**2 708 214**	**432 498**
Total voluntary contributions (A+B)	**3 798 098**	**1 048 248**

[a] These figures will be increased upon the confirmation of current funding proposals.

Annex IV

Revised status of 2005 estimated income from voluntary sources

(United States dollars)

Donor	*Total amount of contribution*
Received	
China	30 000
Egypt	5 176
France	330 000
Greece	7 800
Israel	9 918
Luxembourg	3 049
Mexico	10 000
Norway	328 017
Republic of Korea	10 000
Switzerland	60 000
Turkey	5 000
United Kingdom	125 310
European Commission	1 356 852
Graduate Institute for International Studies	39 957
South-eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SEESAC) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	5 130
Simons Foundation	27 000
Subtotal	**2 353 209**
Pledged	
Austria	10 954
India	10 000
New Zealand	17 750
Netherlands	67 200
Sweden	26 110
Switzerland	33 600
European Commission	905 563
Marie Curie Foundation	129 670
SEESAC (UNDP)	29 130
United Nations Department for Disarmament Affairs	97 000
UNDP	79 992
United Nations Mine Action Service	37 920
Subtotal	**1 444 889**
Total	**3 798 098**

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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/60/101 of 8 March 2005, the General Assembly will be required to appoint, at its current session, five persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2006.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Guillermo Kendall (Argentina);

Igor V. Khalevinski (Russian Federation);

Susan M. McLurg (United States of America);

Tommo Monthe (Cameroon);

Christina Vasak (France).

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow (see annex).

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Guillermo Kendall

Year and place of birth: 1964, Lomas de Zamora, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina

Education

Argentine Foreign Service Institute, Buenos Aires. Graduated as Third Embassy Secretary

Postgraduate degrees in international relations, Fondazione di Ricerche e Studi Internazionali, Florence, Italy, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship, Argentina

Lawyer, University of Buenos Aires

Languages

Spanish, English, French, Portuguese, Italian

Post and duties in the Argentine Foreign Service

First Embassy Secretary

Posted to the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations since 1999, responsible for issues relating to counter-terrorism, in the Security Council

Representative on the Fifth and Sixth Committees of the General Assembly. Vice-Chairman of the Fifth Committee during the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly

Member of the Committee for Programme and Coordination and the Committee on Conferences. Rapporteur and Vice-Chairman (twice) of the Committee on Conferences

Previously, held posts in the Legal Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship in Buenos Aires in 1997 and 1998, and served as a representative in meetings of the International Maritime Organization in London and environmental treaty bodies in Geneva

[Original: Russian]

Igor Vasilyevich Khalevinsky

2005-2006	President of the Permanent Council of the Collective Security Treaty Organization
2004-present	Plenipotentiary representative of the Russian Federation to the Collective Security Treaty Organization
2003-present	Ambassador-at-large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian Federation
1998-2003	Head of the United Nations Office in Belgrade, Federal Republic of Yugoslavia/Serbia and Montenegro
1997-1998	Ambassador-at-large, Deputy Inspector-General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Russian Federation
1996-1997	Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Development, Russian Federation
1992-1996	Deputy Minister of Labour, Russian Federation
1992	Deputy Minister of Labour and Employment, Russian Federation

Diplomatic service

1988-1992	Head, First Deputy Head, Deputy Head of the Consular Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, USSR/Russian Federation
1983-1988	Senior counsellor, Permanent Mission of the USSR to the United Nations
	USSR representative on the Fifth Committee (administrative and budgetary questions) at the forty-first session of the United Nations General Assembly
	USSR deputy representative on the Fifth Committee, from the thirty-eighth to the fortieth sessions of the United Nations General Assembly
1983-1986	Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
1985-1986	USSR representative on the Committee on Applications for Review of Administrative Tribunal Judgements
1983-1986	USSR representative on the Committee on Conferences
1980-1983	Adviser to the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the USSR and the Chairman of the USSR Committee on Cooperation with UNESCO, Moscow
1969-1974	South Asia Department, USSR Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1967-1969, 1974-1979	USSR Embassy to Pakistan

Academic activities

1996-1998	Professor at the Russian Academy of State Service under the President of the Russian Federation, Moscow
1991-1994	Professor at the Moscow State Institute for International Relations
1980-1983	Senior Research Assistant, Institute of Oriental Studies, USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow

Public activities

1995-1997	Member of the Board of Directors of the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna
1994-1995	Secretary of the Russian Committee on Preparations for the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen
	Member of the Russian Federation delegation to the 1995 World Summit for Social Development
1994-1998	Deputy Chairman of the Council of the Russian National Fund for Training Cadres
1993-1997	Chairman of the Sub-Commission for Labour and Education of the Russian-Chinese Intergovernmental Commission on Bilateral Cooperation
	Russian-Vietnamese Intergovernmental Commission on Bilateral Cooperation
1995-1997	Chairman of the Working Group on Social Questions of the Russian-Ukrainian Intergovernmental Commission on Bilateral Cooperation
1992-1995	Russian Federation Government delegations in talks with Latvia, Belarus, Uzbekistan and Moldova
1992-1994	Head of the Russian Federation Government delegation in talks with Lithuania on questions concerning the migration of the workforce
1994-1997	Deputy Chairman of the Russian Federation Interdepartmental Commission on Vocational Counselling and Psychological Support
1993-1996	Member of the Russian Federation State Committee on Higher Education
1994-1997	Chairman of the Russian Federation Interdepartmental Commission for the Training and Retraining of State Employees of Federal Executive Agencies
1993-1997	Deputy Chairman of the Working Group on Personnel Training of the Russian-French Council on Economic, Financial, Industrial and Trade Questions
1992-1997	Deputy Chairman of the Russian Government Commission on International Humanitarian and Technical Assistance

1995-1997	Chairman of the Coordinating Council for the International Labour Organization project "Further development of the modular training system in Russia and CIS countries"
1996-1997	Interdepartmental Commission on International Cooperation in the Field of Education
1995-1997	Interdepartmental Commission on the Rehabilitation of Non-viable and Unprofitable Mines and Basins of the Russian Federation's Coal Industry
1996-1997	Russian-Kazakh Intergovernmental Commission on Questions concerning the Use of the Baikonur complex
1993-1997	Russian Governmental Commission on Questions concerning the Situation of Russian Citizens Abroad
1994-1997	Coordinating Council of the Government of the Russian Federation on the Retraining of Military Personnel Discharged from Military Service
1993-1997	Interdepartmental Commission on Participation by the Russian Federation in International Organizations of the United Nations System
	Interdepartmental Commission on Cooperation by the Russian Federation with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
	Interdepartmental Commission on Cooperation with the Council of Europe
	Interdepartmental Commission on Questions connected with the Entry of the Russian Federation into the World Trade Organization
1996-1997	Interdepartmental Commission on Questions concerning the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum
1995-1997	Interdepartmental Commission on Cooperation in the Waters of the Barents Sea/the Arctic
1995-1998	Citizenship Commission under the President of the Russian Federation
1997-present	Member of the World Confederation of Productivity Science, Montreal
1996-present	Member of the Russian Academy of Vocational Education, Moscow
1994-present	Vice-President of the International Informatization Academy
1992-present	Member of the Russian Public Relations Association, Moscow
1980-present	Member of the Russian Federation Union of Journalists

Author of a number of publications on international relations, economics and social policy

Participant in numerous international conferences and seminars

Education

1974	**Academic degree of Candidate of Economic Sciences, Institute of Oriental Studies, USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow**
1961-1967	**Moscow State Institute for International Relations**

Languages

Russian (native); English (fluent); working knowledge of German, French, Urdu and Serbo-Croat

[Original: English]

Susan M. McLurg

Current professional experience

United States Department of State
United States Mission to the United Nations

Member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (2000-present)

Minister Counsellor for budgetary, financial, administrative, personnel/common sy... and reform issues for the United Nations and New York-based United Nations programmes and funds (1999-present)

Deputy Counsellor/Adviser for budgetary, financial, administrative and personnel/common system issues for the United Nations and New York-based United Nations programmes and funds (1983-1999)

Delegate to the Fifth Committee (1983-present)

Delegate to the Committee for Programme and Coordination (1983-1990 and 1994-1999)

Member of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Committee (1992-2003)

Vice Chairman, Standing Committee for the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (1996-1999)

Delegate to the Committee on Conferences (1983-1989)

Delegate to the United Nations Children's Fund (1986-1993)

Delegate to the United Nations Development Programme (1991-1992)

Delegate to the United Nations Educational and Training Programme for South Africa (1985-1986)

Previous professional experience

Project Director for employment and training programme for minorities in New York City sponsored by the Sheet Metal Workers' Union

Project Monitor for employment and training programmes funded by the United States Department of Labor

Education

Bachelor of Arts degree from Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, 1976

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Tommo Monthe

Ambassador, Principal Counsellor
Office of the President of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly

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Personal history

Date and place of birth: 26 March 1947, Bana, Republic of Cameroon

Sex: Male

Nationality: Cameroonian

Marital status: Married (6 children)

Entered the Cameroon diplomatic service on 1 July 1974

Languages and skills

French (spoken and written)

English (spoken and written)

German (read and write)

Féfé (spoken and written)

Computer literacy: Microsoft Word

Qualifications

BA, MA, Faculty of Arts, University of Yaoundé

Doctorate in International Relations from the Institute of International Relations of Cameroon, University of Yaoundé II, Cameroon

Professional experience

A. National level

Prior employment:

Inspector General at the Ministry of External Relations of Cameroon, responsible for the inspection of Central Services, Diplomatic Missions and Consulates abroad. Coordination of all files relating to multilateral cooperation within the Office of the Minister, in particular those relating to the United Nations (preparation of documents on international meetings and the follow-up of their outputs, in collaboration with the Directors of the Ministry and other services) (1996-2004)

Chairman of the anti-corruption unit — Ministry of External Relations (2000-2004)

Secretary General, Ministry of External Relations (1992-1995) responsible for the general coordination of the various services of the Ministry to ensure effective administrative and financial management

Chargé de Mission at the diplomatic division, general secretariat of the Presidency of the Republic (1990-1992). This entailed examining and making proposals on various diplomatic matters and contributing to the decision-making process

Technical Adviser, Ministry of External Relations (1989-1990). This included advising the Minister on files submitted for his attention by various Directors

Head of Section responsible for consular affairs at the protocol department (1975-1977). Treated files on the management of the diplomatic corps, consular and administrative matters in collaboration with foreign consulates and Cameroonian administrative bodies within the country and abroad

B. International level

Diplomat at the Permanent Mission of Cameroon to the United Nations (1977-1989): Second Secretary, First Secretary, Second Counsellor and First Counsellor respectively. Served as the principal collaborator of the Ambassador on administrative and budgetary matters related to the United Nations, in particular within the Fifth Committee and the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Administrative and Budgetary Committee) for the fortieth session of the General Assembly of the United Nations (1985)

Four terms of office as Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (1984, 1989, 1999, 2000); contributed to the successful negotiation of several proposed medium-term plans and the programme budget submitted by the Secretary-General. Also participated in negotiations on reform measures embodied in the management of human resources, rules and regulations governing planning and evaluation of programmes and results-based budgeting. Contributed also to the drafting and the follow-up of programmes related to Africa included in the medium-term plan and the budget of the United Nations from the 1980s to the present, namely United Nations Programme of Action for African Economic Development and Recovery and the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa

Co-Chairman with the Secretary-General of the United Nations of the Joint Meetings CPC/ACC (1984-1989); helped examine questions related to inter-agency operations, in particular coordination of the United Nations system

Chairman of the Africa Experts Group for the preparation and support of the negotiations of resolution 41/213 on the new budgetary process and United Nations reform

Member of the Cameroonian delegation to various sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations and numerous international meetings (1977 to present), in particular sessions of ECOSOC, OAU, the Francophony and the Commonwealth

Chairman of the Standing Committee No. 1 of the United Nations Council for Namibia from 1981 to the independence of the territory in 1990. Coordinated activities of the missions of the council and supervised its budget within the United Nations

Member of the Cameroonian delegation to global forum III to combat corruption (Seoul, Republic of Korea, 2002)

Member of the Cameroonian delegation to the third Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD III Summit) (Tokyo, September 2003)

Other experience and honorary distinctions

Officer of the National Order of Valour (Cameroon)

Chairman of the Board of Countryside Foundation for Sustainable Development; a non-governmental organization based on strategic reflection on and planning for sustainable development

National coordinator of the Preparatory Colloquium and Committee of the 21st Africa France Summit held in Yaoundé in September 2000 on the theme "Africa and the challenges of globalization" and the follow-up preparatory ministerial meeting

Consultant for the J Consulting firm for the preparation of a national study on the implementation of the special initiative of the United Nations system for Africa

Facilitator at the subregional seminar organized by the Africa Centre for Strategic Studies on the theme "Enhancing conflict management in Central Africa" (Yaoundé, 9-14 May 2004)

Public conferences given at the Institute of International Relations of Cameroon, the Rotary Club and within the framework of the activities of the Countryside Foundation for Sustainable Development on the following themes:

- United Nations and the maintenance of peace in the era of globalization
- The challenge of globalization: Africa's role
- The new world environment and sustainable development
- NEPAD and the sustainable development of Africa
- Four decades of reform and renewal at the United Nations (2004)
- The contribution of Africa to the United Nations budget process (2004)

Various missions on behalf of Cameroon or the United Nations to the following countries and organizations: Kenya, Ethiopia, Gabon, Côte d'Ivoire, United Republic of Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Burkina Faso, France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Italy, Belgium, Netherlands, Switzerland, Austria, Germany, Cyprus, Slovenia, Greece, India, Sri Lanka, Nicaragua, Cuba, Peru, Thailand, Viet Nam, Russian Federation, United States of America, Canada, Japan, Republic of Korea, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Labour Organization, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the European Union

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Christina Marie Vasak

Born on 13 May 1955 in Suresnes (Hauts-de-Seine, France)

French national

Foreign affairs advisor

Education

(a) Higher:

1979: Master's Degree in Comparative Jurisprudence, with a specialization in international law: Law School of the University of Texas at Austin, United States of America

1978: Diploma in political science, international relations section: Institut d'études politiques de Strasbourg, France

1977: Master's degree in Law, public administration section, with a specialty in domestic public, international and community law: Faculty of Law of the University of Strasbourg, France

(b) Secondary:

1972: Baccalaureate (philosophy, literature, foreign languages): Lycée des Pontonniers, Strasbourg, France

1969: Diploma, Westlake Junior High School, Oakland, California, United States of America

Diplomatic career

1982: entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs by competitive examination

1982-1985: Vice-consul, French Embassy in Benin: political issues, media

1985-1988: Second Embassy Secretary, French Embassy in Bulgaria: political issues, media

1988-1991: United Nations and International Organizations Division, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Second Committee of the General Assembly; Second United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Paris, 1990; United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD); United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE); Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE); Bonn Conference on Economic Co-operation in Europe, Federal Republic of Germany, 1990

1991-1994: Second Secretary of the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations, New York: administrative and budgetary matters (Fifth Committee of the General Assembly; civilian staffing, inter alia, for peacekeeping missions); French-speaking group; human rights and social matters (Third Committee of the General Assembly, human rights and women's rights committees; preparatory committees for the World Summit for Social Development, Copenhagen and the Beijing Fourth World Conference on Women)

October 1994-October 1995: Diplomat on exchange in the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Auswärtiges Amt): responsible for Organization for Security and

Cooperation in Europe (OSCE, formerly CSCE) matters relating to the former Yugoslavia and election-monitoring missions; OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), seminar on freedom of association, Warsaw, 1995

October 1995-July 1996: First Secretary, Deputy Chief of the Berlin Office of the French Embassy in Germany, responsible for political and administrative matters

August 1996-December 1997: Advisor to the Office of the High Representative (OHR) in Bosnia and Herzegovina (under High Representatives Mr. Carl Bildt and Mr. Carlos Westendorp): responsible for economic and political matters in the Banja Luka OHR office, later for political and institutional matters at the headquarters of the Office of the High Representative in Sarajevo

January 1998-June 2001: Worked in the Legal Affairs Division of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs: dispute settlement (agent for the French Government before the European Court of Justice in cases related to agriculture and customs), and legal adviser, inter alia, for the European Union enlargement process

July 2001-August 2003: Senior political adviser to the Office of the High Representative (under High Representatives Mr. Wolfgang Petritsch and Mr. Paddy Ashdown): responsible, in Sarajevo, for regional matters and for relations between Bosnia and Herzegovina and its neighbours within the framework of the European Union's stabilization and association policy for the western Balkan States

November 2003-October 2004: Diplomat on exchange in the Press and Information Service of the German Embassy in Paris, and simultaneously responsible for the design and development of a European master's degree project in the field of public administration (known as MEGA, "Master européen de gouvernance et d'administration"), together with a professor from the University of Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne and two German colleagues, launched on 3 October 2005

November 2004-to the present: Chargée de mission to the Director for United Nations and International Organizations of the French Embassy; participant in the work of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly during the fifty-ninth session; in March 2005, monitored elections in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia under the auspices of OSCE (ten years after participating in an initial electoral monitoring mission under the auspices of CSCE in October 1994).

Awards

Chevalier de l'Ordre du Benin, 1983

Chevalier de l'Ordre national du Mérite, France, 2003

Languages

French, native language

English

German

Considerable knowledge of Russian and the languages of Bosnia and Herzegovina (previously known as Serbo-Croatian)

Some knowledge of Bulgarian

Rudimentary knowledge of Spanish and Czech

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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/60/102 of 8 March 2005, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the Committee on Contributions, for a three-year term of office beginning on 1 January 2006.

2. The following persons have been nominated by their respective Governments for appointment or reappointment:

Mhd. Najib Elji (Syrian Arab Republic)
Sujata Ghorai (Germany)
Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov (Russian Federation)
Richard Moon (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
Hae-yun Park (Republic of Korea)
Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto (Brazil)
Wu Gang (China)

3. The candidates' curricula vitae follow (see annex).

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Mhd. Najib Elji

Date and place of birth

1973, Damascus, Syrian Arab Republic.

Education

- 2002: Diplomatic Studies, Oxford, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.
- 1998: Master of International Law and International Economic Relations, University of Aleppo, Syrian Arab Republic.
- 1996: Diploma in Public Law, Finance and Administration, University of Damascus/Aleppo.
- 1994: BA degree, Law School, University of Aleppo.

  Preparing for PhD: Scale of Assessment and Results-Based-Budgeting at the United Nations.

Professional experience

- 1994-1998: Attorney, legal cases related to Administration and Civil Law and cases related to financial issues including Taxes and Commerce.
- 1998-1999: Chief of Communications Office in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Damascus.
- 1999: Desk Officer of Consular Fees, Department of Consular Affairs.
- 1999-2000: Desk Officer of International Treaties, including multilateral and bilateral financial and economic treaties and agreements, Legal Department.
- 2000-2001: Desk Officer of Host Country, Protocol Department.
- Since 2001: Syrian representative of the Fifth Committee at the United Nations. Vice-Chairman of the Fifth Committee for the fifty-ninth session of the United Nations General Assembly.
- Since 2002: Syrian representative of the Committee for Programme and Coordination.
- Since 2002: Syrian representative of the Committee on Information.
- Since 2004: Syrian representative of the Committee on Conferences.

Training programmes and other experience

- 2004: Procurement of the United Nations System, Jog Jakarta, Indonesia.
- 2002: Multilateral Negotiations, The Hague, the Netherlands.
- 2002: European Union enlargement, Brussels.

- 2002: Conflict Resolution, Belfast.
- 2001: Public Diplomacy, Bonn, Germany.
- 1999-2000: Diplomacy Skills, Damascus.

Studies

- 1994: From GATT to the World Trade Organization: impacts on Arab economies, Damascus.
- 1995: International sanctions and their impact on Economic National Growth, Case Study, Damascus.
- 1995: Political theories, Idealism and Realism, Aleppo.
- 1995: New Global Order, case study, II Gulf War, Damascus.
- 1996: Impact of environmental treaties on development in Africa, Aleppo.
- 1996: Fair Taxation System, Aleppo.
- 1997: Privatization of Public Sector, Aleppo.
- 1998: Contemporary Trends in Diplomacy, Aleppo.
- 2001: Short term private capital flows and economic crises, case study, Asian Tigers, Oxford, United Kingdom.
- 2001: Regionalism: effect on trade and investment flows, Oxford, United Kingdom.
- 2002: Dollarization and its effect on Argentina, Oxford, United Kingdom.
- 2002: Protectionism and trade liberalization process, Oxford, United Kingdom.
- 2002: Capital flows and the exchange rate regime and their role in developing countries and emerging economies, Oxford, United Kingdom.

Sujata Ghorai

Personal information

Nationality: German

Date of birth: 14 June 1976

Place of birth: Bretten, Germany

Current position

September 2003-present	Assistant Head of Division Federal Ministry of Finance, Berlin, Germany International Department: Financial Issues of International Organizations (United Nations, FAO, WIPO, ICAO, inter alia) and International World Conferences

Education

October 2002-May 2003	MA, European Studies Centre for European Integration Studies, Bonn, Germany, with focus on economical, political and legal aspects of the European Union
October 1996-June 2002	BA and MA, Economics Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg, Germany, with focus on Political Economics, Finance, Macroeconomics, Business Administration
October 1996-April 1999	BA, Sociology Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg, Germany

Languages

German, English, French, Bengali

Practical experience

June 2003-July 2003	German Embassy, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Political Department
December 2001-July 2002	Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Heidelberg, Germany Department for Economic Research
August 2001-September 2001	KfW Banking Group, Frankfurt, Germany Department for Economic Research
March 2001-May 2001	Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Bonn, Germany Department for Global and Sectoral Issues: Water, Human Settlement and Infrastructure
January 2000-February 2001	Amontis Consulting, Heidelberg, Germany Department for Customer Relationship Management

August 1999- September 1999	DaimlarChrysler AG, Wörth, Germany Department for Personnel Development
July 1998- October 1998	Savings Bank, Bruchsal, Germany Department for Securities Trading, Foreign Trade, Credit Management

Vyacheslav Anatolievich Logutov

Born	1951
Education	Graduate of the Moscow State Institute of International Relations, 1978
Career	
1978	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
1982-1986	Senior Accountant, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the United States of America.
1989-1996	Chief Accountant, Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics/Russian Federation in Thailand.
1996-1998	Chief Expert, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
1998-2004	Chief Accountant, Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations, New York.
Since 2004	Director, Department of Finance, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.
Since 2004	Member of the Committee on Contributions.
Spoken languages	Russian and English.

Richard Moon

Present position

Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (from Feb. 2005)

Education

1977-1980	University of Oxford, BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics
1980-1983	London School of Economics and Political Science: PhD in International Economics

Previous career

1983	Foreign and Commonwealth Office
1984-1988	Second Secretary, Political Affairs, British Embassy, Jakarta
1988-1990	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Desk Officer responsible for European Union Immigration and Social Issues
1990-1992	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Head of Section in Security Policy Department responsible for United Kingdom and North Atlantic Treaty Organization Nuclear Policy
1993-1995	First Secretary, Political Affairs, British Embassy, Rome
1995-1997	First Secretary, Economic/European Union Affairs, British Embassy, Rome
1997-1998	Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Deputy Head of Department for European Union external affairs, responsible for European Union policy towards Latin America and the Caribbean, the European Union/Lomé Agreement and the Mediterranean
1999-2003	Finance Counsellor representing United Kingdom on the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly and the Committee for Programme and Coordination
2003-2004	UK Representative on the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
2005-	UK Deputy Permanent Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

Hae-yun Park

Date of birth: 8 December 1957 (Seoul, Republic of Korea)

Educational background

- 1988 M.A. at University of Pennsylvania, United States of America (in Political Science and also in Government Administration)
- 1981 B.S. at Seoul National University (in Oceanography)

Professional experience

Fifth Committee

- 2000 Vice-Chairman of the Fifth Committee (Fifty-fifth session of the United Nations General Assembly)
- 2000-2005 Member of the Committee on Contributions

National Security Council (NSC), Presidential Office

- 2004 Director, Policy Coordination Bureau

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT)

- 2002-2004 Director, the United Nations Division, MOFAT
- 1998-2001 First Secretary, Permanent Mission to the United Nations, delegate to the Fifth Committee
- 1995-1998 Deputy Director, the United Nations Division, MOFAT
- 1993-1995 First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to Qatar
- 1990-1993 Second Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Korea to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- 1984 Joins the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (now MOFAT)

Private sector

- 1981-1983 City Desk Reporter at the *Korea Times*

Publications

- "The Financial Crisis of the United Nations and the Restructuring of the Peacekeeping Scale of the Assessment" (The United Nations in the Twenty-first Century: New Challenges and Opportunities, Seoul, 2002)
- "The Reform of the United Nations" (Globalization and Multilateral Diplomacy, Seoul, Jisiksanopsa, 2002)

Citation: Presidential Citation (1996), NSC Citation (2004)

Family status: Married with two sons

Henrique da Silveira Sardinha Pinto

Present position: Minister-Counsellor, Financial Office of the Brazilian Ministry of External Relations, New York

Born: 1956, Belo Horizonte, Brazil

Education:

1975-1979	University of the Federal District, Brasília, Law Degree
1978-1979	Brazilian Diplomatic Academy (Instituto Rio Branco), Brasília
1998	Brazilian Diplomatic Academy, Course of High Studies, thesis on the Budgetary and financial Administration of the Foreign Service abroad

Languages: English, French, Spanish, Italian and Portuguese (native)

Career in the Brazilian Foreign Service:

Third Secretary, November 1979

Second Secretary (merit), December 1981

First Secretary (merit), December 1987

Counsellor (merit), June 1994

Minister Second Class (merit), June 2000

Honoured with decorations, both Brazilian and foreign (Bolivia, Mexico, Italy)

Posts and service abroad:

Rome, Brazilian Embassy, 1982-1983, Political Affairs

Rome, Brazilian Representation to FAO, 1983-1985, Deputy Permanent Representative

La Paz, Brazilian Embassy, 1986-1988, Cultural and Consular Affairs

Managua, Brazilian Embassy, 1988-1990, Deputy Head of Mission

New York, Brazilian Financial Office, 1994-1997, Deputy

Ottawa, Brazilian Embassy, 1997-1999, Consular and Administrative Affairs

New York, Brazilian Financial Office, 2002 to present, Deputy

Summary of main assignments in the Brazilian Ministry of External Relations

North and Central American Affairs Office, Advisor, 1979-1982

General Accounts Office, Secretariat-General, Chief of Staff, 1991

Under-Secretariat-General for the Foreign Service, Chief of Staff, 1991-1993

Payments of Personnel Office, Head, 1993-1994

Office in charge of the Coordination of Financial and Administrative Affairs of Posts Abroad, Head, 1992-2002

Wu Gang

Date and place of birth: 28 November 1958, Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China

Educational background

- February 1978 to February 1982, Majoring in English and American literature at Foreign Languages Department, Wuhan University; B.A. degree.
- January 2003 to December 2003, Majoring Public Administration and Public Policy in Public Policy Programme, National University of Singapore obtaining the degree of Master in Public Management. During the programme, several courses were conducted in Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University.

Training programmes attended

June 1982 to January 1983	Training in international finance at FINAFRICA, at Milan, Italy
October 1987	Seminar on loan procedure sponsored by the Japan International Cooperation Agency in Tokyo
May to July 1996	Internship at Morgan Stanley Co. in New York, United States of America

Professional career

March 1982 to August 1988	Staff and Section Chief, Foreign Affairs Department and External Finance Department, Ministry of Finance
August 1988 to January 1993	Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, New York
February 1993 to August 1998	Deputy Director and Director, External Finance Department and International Cooperation Department, Ministry of Finance, China
November 1998 to June 2000	Deputy Director-General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, China
June 2000 to present	Deputy Director-General, Department of Public Administrative and Law Enforcement of the Ministry of Finance, China

Working experience

Over the years of serving in the Ministry of Finance of China, Mr. Wu has been responsible for the budgetary expenditure and assessed contributions to international organizations, and later on, covering the international meetings and forums, involving in the policy-oriented studies for the benefit of the Ministry of Finance's participation in such international forums as the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum (APEC) finance ministers' meetings, Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) finance ministers' meetings, Manila Framework meetings, G20 finance ministers' meetings, etc. He has also been supervising World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB)

loans operations for the Chinese investment projects and all related business and relations between these international financial institutions and China. Currently, he is responsible for budgetary management for administrative, law enforcement and foreign-related expenditures, which involves budgetary expenditures of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Commerce, the Office of the State Council, the Customs Administration, the State Administration for Quality Supervision and Inspection and Quarantine, etc. Related business includes financing of foreign-related activities, Chinese aid to foreign countries, budget allocations to the Chinese embassies in the foreign countries, assessed and pledged contributions to the international organizations.

International experience

During the years from 1988 to 1993, he worked for the Permanent Mission of China to the United Nations, covering Fifth Committee affairs, including budget and contribution issues. Thus, he attended the forty-third to forty-ninth sessions of the General Assembly and the twenty-ninth to thirty-second sessions of the Committee for Programme and Coordination. After that, he mostly covered the finance ministers' meetings of a regional and global nature, such as APEC finance ministers' meetings, ASEM finance ministers' meetings, Manila Framework meetings, World Bank and ADB meetings, etc. Mr. Wu has been elected as a member of the United Nations Committee on Contributions since 2001.

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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Confirmation of the appointment of members of the Investments Committee

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/60/103 of 8 March 2005, it will be necessary for the General Assembly, during its sixtieth session, to confirm the appointment by the Secretary-General of three persons to fill vacancies in the Investments Committee resulting from the expiration, on 31 December 2005, of the terms of office of Peter Stormonth-Darling (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Francine Bovich (United States of America) and Takeshi Ohta (Japan). The terms of reference of the Investments Committee that took effect 1 January 2005 state that members can serve in the Committee for five terms or 15 years. Both Mr. Stormonth-Darling and Ms. Bovich have met the limit and their terms may not be renewed. Mr. Takeshi Ohta passed away in December 2004.

2. In accordance with the provisions of article 20 of the Regulations of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund, the Secretary-General, after consultation with the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board and the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, submits for confirmation by the General Assembly the appointment of Madhav Dhar (India), Nemir Kirdar (Iraq) and Masakazu Arikawa (Japan) for three-year terms of office beginning on 1 January 2006. Mr. Dhar is a founding partner of Traxis Partners LLC, New York, United States of America; Mr. Kirdar is President and Chief Executive Officer of Investcorp, London, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and Mr. Arikawa is President and Representative Director of Sony Global Pension Management Corporation, Tokyo, Japan. The Secretary-General greatly appreciates their willingness to carry out this important international public service.

3. In accordance with past practice, the Secretary-General proposes to reappoint Emilio J. Cárdenas (Argentina) and Ivan Pictet (Switzerland) and appoint Afsaneh M. Beschloss (Iran) as ad hoc members for one year, beginning 1 January 2006.

4. The curricula vitae of the appointees for confirmation and the ad hoc members are set out in the annex to the present document.

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Annex

Madhav Dhar

Experience

2003-Present

Traxis Partners, LLC, New York, NY

- Managing Partner
- Global Macro Hedge Fund

2001-2002

Traxis Capital, LLC, New York, NY

- Personal and family fund management

2000-2001

Sabbatical, Delhi, India

- Private family time
- Active in local media promoting markets and economic reform
- Charitable activities

1984-1999

Morgan Stanley & Co., New York, NY

- Managing Director 1992-1999
- Member of MSAM Executive Management Committee 1997-1999
- Head of Global Asset Allocation
- Head of Emerging Markets
- Portfolio Manager, Active EAFE Allocation
- Global Strategist
- Portfolio Manager, Emerging Markets

Education

Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

- MBA 1984

St. Stephen's College, Delhi University, India

- B.S. (Honors) Physics
- Represented Delhi State at the National Games in track events

Personal

Nationality: Indian

Born: 1960

- Active involvement with Asia Society, American India Foundation, Breakthrough

Nemir A. Kirdar

Career (in banking)

Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer, Investcorp, New York, London and Bahrain, 1982 to present

Vice President, Chase Manhattan Bank, New York, 1974-1981

Allied Bank International, New York, 1969-1974

Associations

Member of the Board of Directors, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Visiting Committee, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Member of the Board of Visitors, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Advisory Board, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, New York, New York

Member of the Advisory Board, Judge Institute of Management Studies, Cambridge University, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Member of the Board of International Councillors, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, D.C.

Member of the Board of Trustees, Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Founding Member of the International Business Council, World Economic Forum, Geneva, Switzerland

Member of the International Board of the US/Middle East Project of the Council on Foreign Relations, New York, New York

Member of the Brookings International Advisory Council of the Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.

Education

Harvard Business School, Massachusetts, Senior Management Programme

Fordham University, New York, Master of Business Administration

University of the Pacific, California, graduate degree in Economics

Honorary Degrees

Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., Doctor of Humane Letters

University of the Pacific, California, Doctor of Laws

The American International University in London, Richmond, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Doctor of Economics

Personal

Date of birth: 28 October 1936

Nationality: Iraqi

Emilio J. Cárdenas

Career

Former Executive Director, HSBC Argentina Holdings S.A., March 1996 to the present

Vice President, International Bar Association, 2003-2004

Vice President, International Bar Association, October 2000-2002

Secretary-General of the International Bar Association, September 1998

Personal Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General to Iraq, November 1997

Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, September 1992-March 1996

Representative of Argentina on the United Nations Security Council, 1994-1995

Chairman of the Sanctions Committee for the former Yugoslavia, 1995

Vice President of the Economic and Social Council, 1995

Ambassador to Dominica and Guyana, 1993-1996

Member of the Board of Directors of HSBC Argentina Holdings S.A.; HSBC Bank Argentina S.A.; HSBC-La Buenos Aires Seguros S.A.; HSBC-New York Life (Argentina) S.A.; HSBC Máxima S.A. AFJP; HSBC Salud (Argentina) S.A.; Chevron San Jorge S.A.; and Edenor S.A.

Member of the Board of the Argentine Banking Association, from 2000 to the present

Associations

Professor of Law at University of Buenos Aires, Catholic University of Argentina, and University of Illinois (United States of America) (until 1992)

Former Member of the Board of Directors, Bank of New York S.A., Banco Frances S.A., Michelin Argentina S.A., CIAMAR S.A., Ellerstina S.A., The Exxel Group S.A.

Former President of the Banking Association of the Argentine Republic (foreign banks), 1988-1992

Senior Partner at Cárdenas, Cassagne & Asociados 1966-1991

Education

University of Buenos Aires Law School, 1964

University of Michigan Law School, MCL

Princeton University, 1965

University of California (Berkeley), 1966

Personal

Nationality: Argentinian

Date of birth: 13 August 1942, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Ivan Pictet

Career

New York — two years with Morgan Stanley

Joined Pictet & Cie in 1972

Managing partner of the group with responsibility over general strategy matters, regional responsibility for Japan, Northern Europe and Russia and particular responsibility for investment advisory services of the bank for 24 years

Associations

Former President

a. The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Geneva

b. The Foundation for Geneva

President

a. The Geneva Financial Center

b. The Geneva Private Bankers Association

Education

Baccalaureate, College of Geneva (1963)

Attended the Law Faculty, University of Geneva

Graduated in 1970-Business School of Administration of St. Gallen, Switzerland

Personal

Nationality: Swiss

Date of Birth: 8 March, 1944, Geneva

Afsaneh Beschloss

Career

President and Chief Executive Officer of The Rock Creek Group, Washington, D.C.

Treasurer and Chief Investment Officer, World Bank, Washington, D.C.

Senior Manager of the Derivatives and Structured Products Group and Fixed-Income Portfolio Manager, World Bank, Washington, D.C.

J. P. Morgan, New York and London

Shell International Group Planning, London

Teaching international trade, Oxford University, Oxford

Associations

Member, Board of Trustees of the Ford Foundation

Chairman of the Investment Committee of the Ford Foundation

Board of Trustees of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

Member of the Investment Committee of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund

Member of the Board of Directors of Temple-Inland, Inc.

Education

Oxford University, Master of Philosophy

Personal

Date of Birth: 28 July 1955

Nationality: Iranian

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Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/60/104 of 8 March 2005, the General Assembly will be required, during its sixtieth session, to appoint, as a member of the Board of Auditors, the Auditor-General, or officer holding the equivalent title, of a Member State to fill the vacancy that will occur in the membership of the Board beginning on 1 July 2006 and ending on 30 June 2012.

2. The Government of South Africa has nominated the Auditor-General of the Republic of South Africa for reappointment to the Board of Auditors.

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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/60/105 of 8 March 2005, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the International Civil Service Commission, beginning on 1 January 2006.

2. The members of the Commission whose terms of office expire on 31 December 2005 are:

Mario Bettati (France);

Minoru Endo (Japan);

Lucretia Myers (United States of America);

Gilberto Paranhos Velloso (Brazil);

Alexis Stephanou (Greece).

Thus, the members to be appointed should come from the following regions:

One member from the Asian States;

One member from the Latin America and Caribbean States;

Three members from the Western European and Other States.

3. Candidatures have been received from the following Member States:

(a) From the Group of Asian States (one vacancy):

Minoru Endo (Japan);

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(b) From the Group of Latin America and Caribbean States (one vacancy):

Gilberto Paranhos Velloso (Brazil);

(c) From the Group of Western European and Other States (three vacancies):

Lucretia Myers (United States of America);

Wolfgang Stockl (Germany);

Gian Luigi Valenza (Italy).

4. The appointment of the members of the Commission is governed by the provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 of its statute. Pursuant to those provisions, and in accordance with paragraphs 3 and 4 of section II of General Assembly resolution 43/226 of 21 December 1988, the Secretary-General has undertaken consultations with Member States, through the chairmen of the various regional groups, with the executive heads of the other organizations, with staff representatives through the Federation of International Civil Servants' Associations and the Coordinating Committee for International Staff Unions and Associations of the United Nations System and with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

5. Regarding consultations with Member States, Mr. Paranhos Velloso has been endorsed by the Group of Latin America and Caribbean States and Ms. Myers and Messrs. Stockl and Valenza have been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.

6. The Secretary-General thus submits to the Fifth Committee for its consideration the list of candidates nominated for membership in the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning 1 January 2006:

(a) From the Group of Asian States (one vacancy):

Minoru Endo (Japan);

(b) From the Group of Latin America and Caribbean States (one vacancy):

Gilberto Paranhos Velloso (Brazil);

(c) From the Western European and Other States (three vacancies):

Lucretia Myers (United States of America);

Wolfgang Stockl (Germany);

Gian Luigi Valenza (Italy).

7. The candidates' curricula vitae follow.

Minoru Endo

Date of birth: 6 August 1932

Academic career

1957	Graduated from University of Tokyo, Law School

Professional career

1971-1973	Deputy Director of the Personnel Division Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1973-1975	Director of the General Affairs Division, Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1975-1976	Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America
1976-1978	Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in Spain
1978-1983	Deputy Director-General, Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1983-1986	Minister, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva, and Consul-General of Japan at Geneva
1986-1987	Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva
1987-1990	Director-General, United Nations Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1990-1993	Ambassador for International Economic Affairs
1993-1996	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva
	Permanent Representative, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and World Trade Organization
1997-2000	Adviser to Sakura Bank (later Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation)

Major conferences and meetings

1988	Representative, third special session of the United Nations General Assembly on Disarmament
1988-1995	Adviser, United Nations General Assembly
1991-1994	Representative, Meeting of the Contracting Parties, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
1993-1996	Government delegate, International Labour Conference
1994	Representative, Trade Negotiations Committee at the ministerial level, Marrakesh, Morocco
1994-1996	Delegate, World Health Assembly

1996	Alternate Representative, ninth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
1996	Representative, second session of the Conference of the Parties United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
1997	Chairman, Consultative Group on Policy Measures to Increase the Number of Japanese International Civil Servants
1999	Head of Government Delegation, International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
2002-present	Member, International Civil Service Commission
2003	Head of Government Delegation, International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Languages

English, French and Spanish

Gilberto Coutinho Paranhos Velloso

Career diplomat (Ambassador) in the Brazilian Foreign Service

Born 7 August 1940 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Married with three children.

Education

Law degree, Law School of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (known then as University of Brazil), 1963

Graduated first in class from the Brazilian Diplomatic Academy ("Instituto Rio Branco") in 1962; entered the Brazilian Foreign Service as Third Secretary

Languages

English, Spanish, French, Italian and Portuguese (native)

Career in the Brazilian Foreign Service

Second Secretary (seniority), November 1966

First Secretary (merit), January 1973

Counsellor (merit), January 1975

Minister Second Class (merit), April 1978

Minister First Class, Ambassador (merit), December 1984

Honoured with several decorations, both Brazilian and from other countries

Posts and service abroad

London, Brazilian Embassy, 1965-1968

Mexico, Brazilian Embassy, 1969-1970

New York, Brazilian Mission to the United Nations, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations, 1979-1984

Served briefly as a consultant under contract in the United Nations Secretariat in the Office of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Cooperation (December 1984-March 1985)

Ambassador of Brazil to the Holy See, 1990-1995

Ambassador of Brazil to Chile, 1995-1999

Head of the Brazilian Financial Office in New York, 2002 to present

Elected on 18 June 2004 by the General Assembly to complete the mandate (expiring on 31 December 2005) of Ambassador João Augusto de Médicis (deceased) as a member of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC)

Summary of main assignments

Adviser to the Minister of External Relations of Brazil, 1963, and to the Secretary-General for Foreign Policy (Deputy Foreign Minister), 1963-1965

Delegate to several meetings of international economic organizations headquartered in London on commodities (coffee, sugar, cocoa, wheat, rubber, hard fibers), while posted to the Embassy of Brazil to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Head of the trade promotion sector while posted to the Brazilian Embassy in Mexico

After returning to Brasilia in early 1971, to the Headquarters of "Itamaraty", as the Brazilian Ministry of External Relations is known, became the Senior Adviser to the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Affairs/Head of the Economic Department, 1971-1974

Called to the staff of the Minister of External Relations of Brazil, became in succession Adviser, then Deputy Head and then Chef de Cabinet, 1974-1979, of the Foreign Minister

In those positions, took part in several meetings at home and abroad and in several official visits abroad of the Foreign Minister and several Presidential visits abroad

As Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations (1979-1985), participated in numerous meetings of different bodies of the Organization, in particular of its economic and social sectors, including all sessions of the General Assembly, in this case from 1974 to 1989, and all sessions of the Economic and Social Council from 1979 to 1985 and their subsidiary bodies

Returned to Brazil in March 1985 to assume the position of Secretary for International Economic and Technical Cooperation of the Secretariat of Planning (Ministry) of the Presidency of the Republic (March-June 1985)

Called back to the Ministry of External Relations and was appointed Head (Director) of the Department of the Americas (1985-1988), and thereafter, for the second time, Chef de Cabinet of the Minister of External Relations of Brazil (1988-1990)

Returning to the Ministry of External Relations Headquarters in June 1999, after tenures as Ambassador of Brazil to the Holy See and to Chile, was appointed Under-Secretary-General of the Foreign Service (1999-2002), a position which translates as the overall Head of all administrative services (personnel, administration, communications, budget, administrative planning and modernization) of the Brazilian Foreign Ministry. During this last period in Brasilia (1999-2002), was appointed on several occasions Acting Foreign Minister of Brazil

Lucretia F. Myers

Current professional experience

Lucretia F. Myers is currently a Commissioner on the 15-member International Civil Service Commission that regulates the conditions of service for employees of the United Nations and other international organizations. She was first appointed to the Commission in 1992 and was re-elected for new four-year terms that began in January 1994, January 1998 and January 2002.

Ms. Myers retired from the United States Federal Civil Service in February 1998. At the time of her retirement, she was the Senior Policy Advisor for retirement, health and life insurance at the United States Office of Personnel Management.

Prior to serving as the Senior Policy Advisor, Ms. Myers was the Assistant Director for Insurance Programs at the United States Office of Personnel Management. As the Assistant Director, she oversaw the health and life insurance programmes for Federal employees, retirees and their families. The Federal Employees health benefits programme is the largest employer-sponsored health insurance programme in the United States of America. At that time, the programme covered approximately 10 million lives, with 375 health insurance companies receiving annual premiums of nearly $16 billion. The Office also collected more than $1.6 billion in premiums and paid $1.5 billion in benefits annually for the Federal employees' life insurance programme.

From January 1987 to August 1993, Ms. Myers served as the Executive Director of the United States Merit Systems Protection Board, where she managed the programmes and operations of the Board and its 11 regional offices. The Merit Board is a quasi-judicial agency that protects employees against abuses by agency management and conducts studies of the United States Federal Civil Service to ensure that employment practices are based on merit.

Prior to her appointment to the Board, Ms. Myers served in a variety of positions at the United States Office of Personnel Management. Positions held include: Deputy Associate Director for Administration where she was responsible for the agency's fiscal, administrative, information management and human resources management functions; Deputy Associate Director for Compliance and Investigations, where she managed one of the civilian sector's largest background investigations programmes and the federal Government's personnel management evaluation and workforce information programmes; Assistant Director for Retirement Programs and, later, Assistant Director for Pay and Benefits Policy, where she was in charge of administering the Government's fourth largest entitlement programme and directing the policy for one of the world's largest pay and benefits programmes.

Ms. Myers joined the United States personnel agency in 1979 and soon thereafter was appointed as the Director for Personnel and Equal Employment Opportunity. She came to the Office of Personnel Management from the Department of the Air Force, where she held a variety of positions in human resources management at several geographical locations. Her background includes being a practitioner, manager or executive in virtually all functional areas of human resources management, including position classification and pay administration,

labour management and employee relations, recruitment and staffing and training and development.

Ms. Myers served on the Department of Defense's Military Health Care Advisory Board and was the United States Office of Personnel Management's liaison to the Board of Directors for the Foundation for Accountability. She was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in 1980 and is a 1983 graduate of the Senior Executive Fellows Program at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. During her service with the United States Federal Civil Service, she received numerous awards in recognition of her outstanding performance and executive excellence, including the Presidential Rank Award of Distinguished Executive.

Wolfgang Stockl

Current position

Ambassador, Special Coordinator of the German Government for Human Resources Management Issues and German Personnel in International Organizations

Delegate to major international conferences

World Summit for Sustainable Development (Johannesburg, 2002)

World Food Summit: five years later (Rome, 2002)

Financing for Development (Monterrey, 2002)

Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries (Brussels, 2001)

Millennium Summit of the United Nations (New York, 2000)

Membership in United Nations bodies

1997-2002	International Civil Service Commission Co-Chairman, Working Group on the Consultative Process and Working Arrangements (1998)
1997	Chairman, Committee for Programme and Coordination, United Nations
1995-1997	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, United Nations

Previous positions and activities

2000-2003	Director of Economic and Development Affairs, Global Affairs and United Nations Department, Foreign Office of the Federal Republic of Germany; Responsible for Economic and Social Council, Second Committee, Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nations, United Nations Industrial Development Organization, United Nations Development Programme, World Food Programme, International Fund for Agricultural Development, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, United Nations Population Fund
1997-2000	Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris Delegate, Public Management Committee (Human Resources Management, Civil Service Pay, Public Management Reform) and Coordinating Committee on Remuneration
1991-1997	Counsellor, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations, New York; Responsible for United Nations reform, Common System and human resources management issues Delegate, Fifth Committee of the General Assembly and Committee for Programme and Coordination

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1976	Department of Personnel, Ministry of the Interior, Federal State of Hessen, Germany
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Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments

Appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

Note by the Secretary-General

1. As indicated in document A/60/105 of 8 March 2005, the General Assembly will be required, at its current session, to appoint five persons to fill the vacancies that will occur in the membership of the International Civil Service Commission, beginning on 1 January 2006.

2. The members of the Commission whose terms of office expire on 31 December 2005 are:

Mario Bettati (France);

Minoru Endo (Japan);

Lucretia Myers (United States of America);

Gilberto Paranhos Velloso (Brazil);

Alexis Stephanou (Greece).

Thus, the members to be appointed should come from the following regions:

One member from the Asian States;

One member from the Latin America and Caribbean States;

Three members from the Western European and Other States.

3. Candidatures have been received from the following Member States:

(a) From the Group of Asian States (one vacancy):

Minoru Endo (Japan);

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(b) From the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (one vacancy):

Gilberto Paranhos Velloso (Brazil);

(c) From the Group of Western European and Other States (three vacancies):

Lucretia Myers (United States of America);

Wolfgang Stockl (Germany);

Gian Luigi Valenza (Italy).

4. The appointment of the members of the Commission is governed by the provisions of articles 3, 4 and 5 of its statute. Pursuant to those provisions, and in accordance with paragraphs 3 and 4 of section II of General Assembly resolution 43/226 of 21 December 1988, the Secretary-General has undertaken consultations with Member States, through the chairmen of the various regional groups, with the executive heads of the other organizations, with staff representatives through the Federation of International Civil Servants' Associations and the Coordinating Committee for International Staff Unions and Associations of the United Nations System and with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

5. Regarding consultations with Member States, Mr. Endo has been endorsed by the Group of Asian States. Mr. Paranhos Velloso has been endorsed by the Group of Latin America and Caribbean States and Ms. Myers and Messrs. Stockl and Valenza have been endorsed by the Group of Western European and Other States.

6. The Secretary-General thus submits to the Fifth Committee for its consideration the list of candidates nominated for membership in the International Civil Service Commission for a four-year term of office beginning 1 January 2006:

(a) From the Group of Asian States (one vacancy):

Minoru Endo (Japan);

(b) From the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (one vacancy):

Gilberto Paranhos Velloso (Brazil);

(c) From the Western European and Other States (three vacancies):

Lucretia Myers (United States of America);

Wolfgang Stockl (Germany);

Gian Luigi Valenza (Italy).

7. The candidates' curricula vitae follow.

Minoru Endo

Date of birth 6 August 1932

Academic career

1957	Graduated from University of Tokyo, Law School

Professional career

1971-1973	Deputy Director of the Personnel Division Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1973-1975	Director of the General Affairs Division, Minister's Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1975-1976	Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in the United States of America
1976-1978	Counsellor, Embassy of Japan in Spain
1978-1983	Deputy Director-General, Economic Affairs Bureau Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1983-1986	Minister, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva, and Consul-General of Japan at Geneva
1986-1987	Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary, Permanent Mission of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva
1987-1990	Director-General, United Nations Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1990-1993	Ambassador for International Economic Affairs
1993-1996	Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva
	Permanent Representative, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and World Trade Organization
1997-2000	Adviser to Sakura Bank (later Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation)

Major conferences and meetings

1988	Representative, third special session of the United Nations General Assembly on Disarmament
1988-1995	Adviser, United Nations General Assembly
1991-1994	Representative, Meeting of the Contracting Parties, General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
1993-1996	Government delegate, International Labour Conference
1994	Representative, Trade Negotiations Committee at the ministerial level, Marrakesh, Morocco
1994-1996	Delegate, World Health Assembly

1996	Alternate Representative, ninth session of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
1996	Representative, second session of the Conference of the Parties United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
1997	Chairman, Consultative Group on Policy Measures to Increase the Number of Japanese International Civil Servants
1999	Head of Government Delegation, International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
2002-present	Member, International Civil Service Commission
2003	Head of Government Delegation, International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Languages

English, French and Spanish

Gilberto Coutinho Paranhos Velloso

Career diplomat (Ambassador) in the Brazilian Foreign Service

Born 7 August 1940 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Married with three children.

Education

Law degree, Law School of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (known then as University of Brazil), 1963

Graduated first in class from the Brazilian Diplomatic Academy ("Instituto Rio Branco") in 1962; entered the Brazilian Foreign Service as Third Secretary

Languages

English, Spanish, French, Italian and Portuguese (native)

Career in the Brazilian Foreign Service

Second Secretary (seniority), November 1966

First Secretary (merit), January 1973

Counsellor (merit), January 1975

Minister Second Class (merit), April 1978

Minister First Class, Ambassador (merit), December 1984

Honoured with several decorations, both Brazilian and from other countries

Posts and service abroad

London, Brazilian Embassy, 1965-1968

Mexico, Brazilian Embassy, 1969-1970

New York, Brazilian Mission to the United Nations, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations, 1979-1984

Served briefly as a consultant under contract in the United Nations Secretariat in the Office of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Cooperation (December 1984-March 1985)

Ambassador of Brazil to the Holy See, 1990-1995

Ambassador of Brazil to Chile, 1995-1999

Head of the Brazilian Financial Office in New York, 2002 to present

Elected on 18 June 2004 by the General Assembly to complete the mandate (expiring on 31 December 2005) of Ambassador João Augusto de Médicis (deceased) as a member of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC)

Summary of main assignments

Adviser to the Minister of External Relations of Brazil, 1963, and to the Secretary-General for Foreign Policy (Deputy Foreign Minister), 1963-1965

Delegate to several meetings of international economic organizations headquartered in London on commodities (coffee, sugar, cocoa, wheat, rubber, hard fibers), while posted to the Embassy of Brazil to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Head of the trade promotion sector while posted to the Brazilian Embassy in Mexico

After returning to Brasilia in early 1971, to the Headquarters of "Itamaraty", as the Brazilian Ministry of External Relations is known, became the Senior Adviser to the Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Affairs/Head of the Economic Department, 1971-1974

Called to the staff of the Minister of External Relations of Brazil, became in succession Adviser, then Deputy Head and then Chef de Cabinet, 1974-1979, of the Foreign Minister

In those positions, took part in several meetings at home and abroad and in several official visits abroad of the Foreign Minister and several Presidential visits abroad

As Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations (1979-1985), participated in numerous meetings of different bodies of the Organization, in particular of its economic and social sectors, including all sessions of the General Assembly, in this case from 1974 to 1989, and all sessions of the Economic and Social Council from 1979 to 1985 and their subsidiary bodies

Returned to Brazil in March 1985 to assume the position of Secretary for International Economic and Technical Cooperation of the Secretariat of Planning (Ministry) of the Presidency of the Republic (March-June 1985)

Called back to the Ministry of External Relations and was appointed Head (Director) of the Department of the Americas (1985-1988), and thereafter, for the second time, Chef de Cabinet of the Minister of External Relations of Brazil (1988-1990)

Returning to the Ministry of External Relations Headquarters in June 1999, after tenures as Ambassador of Brazil to the Holy See and to Chile, was appointed Under-Secretary-General of the Foreign Service (1999-2002), a position which translates as the overall Head of all administrative services (personnel, administration, communications, budget, administrative planning and modernization) of the Brazilian Foreign Ministry. During this last period in Brasilia (1999-2002), was appointed on several occasions Acting Foreign Minister of Brazil

Lucretia F. Myers

Current professional experience

Lucretia F. Myers is currently a Commissioner on the 15-member International Civil Service Commission that regulates the conditions of service for employees of the United Nations and other international organizations. She was first appointed to the Commission in 1992 and was re-elected for new four-year terms that began in January 1994, January 1998 and January 2002.

Ms. Myers retired from the United States Federal Civil Service in February 1998. At the time of her retirement, she was the Senior Policy Advisor for retirement, health and life insurance at the United States Office of Personnel Management.

Prior to serving as the Senior Policy Advisor, Ms. Myers was the Assistant Director for Insurance Programs at the United States Office of Personnel Management. As the Assistant Director, she oversaw the health and life insurance programmes for Federal employees, retirees and their families. The Federal Employees health benefits programme is the largest employer-sponsored health insurance programme in the United States of America. At that time, the programme covered approximately 10 million lives, with 375 health insurance companies receiving annual premiums of nearly $16 billion. The Office also collected more than $1.6 billion in premiums and paid $1.5 billion in benefits annually for the Federal employees' life insurance programme.

From January 1987 to August 1993, Ms. Myers served as the Executive Director of the United States Merit Systems Protection Board, where she managed the programmes and operations of the Board and its 11 regional offices. The Merit Board is a quasi-judicial agency that protects employees against abuses by agency management and conducts studies of the United States Federal Civil Service to ensure that employment practices are based on merit.

Prior to her appointment to the Board, Ms. Myers served in a variety of positions at the United States Office of Personnel Management. Positions held include: Deputy Associate Director for Administration where she was responsible for the agency's fiscal, administrative, information management and human resources management functions; Deputy Associate Director for Compliance and Investigations, where she managed one of the civilian sector's largest background investigations programmes and the federal Government's personnel management evaluation and workforce information programmes; Assistant Director for Retirement Programs and, later, Assistant Director for Pay and Benefits Policy, where she was in charge of administering the Government's fourth largest entitlement programme and directing the policy for one of the world's largest pay and benefits programmes.

Ms. Myers joined the United States personnel agency in 1979 and soon thereafter was appointed as the Director for Personnel and Equal Employment Opportunity. She came to the Office of Personnel Management from the Department of the Air Force, where she held a variety of positions in human resources management at several geographical locations. Her background includes being a practitioner, manager or executive in virtually all functional areas of human resources management, including position classification and pay administration,

labour management and employee relations, recruitment and staffing and training and development.

Ms. Myers served on the Department of Defense's Military Health Care Advisory Board and was the United States Office of Personnel Management's liaison to the Board of Directors for the Foundation for Accountability. She was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in 1980 and is a 1983 graduate of the Senior Executive Fellows Program at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. During her service with the United States Federal Civil Service, she received numerous awards in recognition of her outstanding performance and executive excellence, including the Presidential Rank Award of Distinguished Executive.

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Pattern of conferences

Letter dated 12 October 2005 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for consideration by the Fifth Committee, a letter dated 4 October 2005 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences concerning meeting the needs of persons with disabilities.

(*Signed*) Jan **Eliasson**

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Annex

Letter dated 4 October 2005 from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences addressed to the President of the General Assembly

The Committee on Conferences at its substantive session held from 19 to 27 September 2005 considered a letter from the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities requesting the Committee's assistance in ensuring that delegates with disabilities could participate meaningfully and on an equal basis with others in the work of the Ad Hoc Committee. The Committee was addressed by the Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee who stated that the most urgent need was for official documentation relating to the work of the Ad Hoc Committee to be made available in both electronic format and Braille.

The Committee considered the above issues favourably and expressed support for meeting the needs of the persons with disabilities involved in the elaboration of the draft convention. It urged the Secretariat to continue ensuring, as it did in past years, that the special requirements of the Ad Hoc Committee were taken into account in conference room scheduling and to explore ways of providing the required documentation in electronic form and Braille. The Committee entrusted me to convey to you that it considered the above-mentioned issues favourably and suggested that the General Assembly consider them on a priority basis, both in the particular case of making available the requested documentation in Braille and in terms of the larger issue of the access of persons with disabilities to conference services.

(*Signed*) Diego **Simancas**
Chairman
Committee on Conferences

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Administration of justice at the United Nations

Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005

Letter dated 14 October 2005 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for consideration and action, as appropriate, by the Fifth Committee, a letter dated 21 July 2005 from the President of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal addressed to the President of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly.

(*Signed*) Jan **Eliasson**

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Annex

Letter dated 21 July 2005 from the President of the United Nations Administrative Tribunal addressed to the President of the fifty-ninth session of the General Assembly

On 20 October 2003, the Sixth Committee decided to amend article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Tribunal with effect from 1 January 2004, as follows:

> "The Tribunal shall be composed of seven members, no two of whom may be nationals of the same State. Members shall possess judicial or other relevant legal experience in the field of administrative law or its equivalent within their national jurisdiction. Only three members shall sit in any particular case."

Subsequently, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, suggested in paragraph 16 of its report (A/57/736) that, should the General Assembly accept its recommendation in paragraph 13, proposals could be made by the Secretary-General regarding compensation of the members of the Tribunal. A suggestion to this effect was included in a note by the Secretary-General dated 27 October 2004 (A/C.5/59/12), as follows:

> "Should the General Assembly decide that UNAT [United Nations Administrative Tribunal] members are to be compensated in a manner comparable to ILOAT [International Labour Organization Administrative Tribunal] judges, the General Assembly may wish to consider honorariums as follows: the UNAT member drafting a judgement would receive $1,000; the two members signing the judgement would receive $250 for each case."

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The Tribunal has taken note of the new requirements and wishes to express its disappointment, particularly with that part of the decision which postpones consideration of remuneration of the members until the new criteria have been met by all. As I am sure you will appreciate, the current situation is awkward and stressful to the Tribunal as a body and to the individual members thereof. It considers that such a decision is demeaning to the present incumbents and somehow implies that they are unworthy of monetary reward. Moreover, the Tribunal considers it somewhat inconsistent that new members with "judicial experience in the field of administrative law or its equivalent within their national jurisdiction" would be better qualified and therefore more deserving of compensation than judges who have experience in *international* administrative law, that is, experience specifically required for the international administrative judicial function.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly under items 120 and 108 of its agenda.

(*Signed*) Julio **Barboza**
President
United Nations Administrative Tribunal

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Programme planning

Letter dated 20 October 2005 from the President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith, for the consideration of the Fifth Committee, a letter dated 20 October 2005 from the Chairman of the Second Committee containing the recommendations of the Second Committee on the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (see annex).

(Signed) Jan **Eliasson**

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Annex

Letter dated 20 October 2005 from the Chairman of the Second Committee addressed to the President of the General Assembly

Pursuant to decisions taken by the General Assembly at the 17th plenary meeting of its sixtieth session pertaining to the allocation of items to the Second Committee, the Committee reviewed the recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination,[1] in particular, chapter III, section C.1, entitled "Evaluation of linkages between headquarters and field activities: a review of best practices for poverty eradication in the framework of the United Nations Millennium Declaration", and section C.2, entitled "In-depth evaluation of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme". The Second Committee was in agreement with the recommendations made in the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination. The following additional comments were made:

- It was observed that paragraph 137 was very important. It was noted with regret that the report did not treat in detail the issue of coordination between United Nations bodies and national Governments, which is of crucial importance in field activities. It was emphasized that in order to strengthen this coordination and, ultimately, linkages between headquarters and field activities, the United Nations programmes should be harmonized with the needs and priorities of national Governments.

- Also underlined was the importance of General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, which should have received stronger acknowledgement by the Committee for Programme and Coordination as providing the basis for guidelines to the resident coordinator system.

(*Signed*) Aminu Bashir **Wali**
Chairman of the Second Committee

Notes

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 16* (A/60/16).